

**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

**Please amend the specification as follows:**

Page 29, first full paragraph:

The results shown in Tables 1 and 2 clearly confirm that no foreign matter remained ~~in the cleaning sheets of on the tips of the probe needles according to~~ the present invention of Examples 1 to 5 after cleaning and that a partial transfer of the cleaning layer to the tip of the probe needle did not occur at all. Therefore, according to the present invention, there occurred no situation where the tips of the probe needles were contaminated with the cleaning layer. Note that the cleaning sheets of Examples 1 to 5 had initial elastic moduli within the range of 0.5 to 100 N/mm<sup>2</sup>.